



LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS

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Questions, comments or additional information on this Local Notice to Mariners or the Local Notice to Mariners mailing list (additions, deletions, corrections) should be sent to the address above or by E-mail to: lnm@cgalaska.uscg.mil For faster service, you can get the U.S. Coast Guard 17th District's Local Notice to Mariners via the Internet directly from the U.S. Coast Guard Navigation Center web site at www.nis-mirror.com/default.html or to get on our electronic mailing list and receive a *Microsoft Word* copy of the Local Notice to Mariners, send requests to the standard mail address above or by E-mail.

REFERENCES: Light List, Vol. VI, Pacific Coast and Pacific Islands, 2002 Edition (COMDTPUB P16502.6).
 U.S. Coast Pilot 8, Pacific Coast Alaska: Dixon Entrance to Cape Spencer, 24th Edition.
 U.S. Coast Pilot 9, Pacific and Arctic Coasts Alaska: Cape Spencer to Beaufort Sea, 20th Edition.

BROADCAST NOTICE TO MARINERS

Navigation information previously promulgated by Broadcast Notice to Mariners 019/03 through 080/03 and still in effect is included in this notice.

USE OF THE LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS

The Weekly Supplemental editions contain new information available subsequent to the issue of the Monthly edition. To ensure having complete information concerning the waterways of the Seventeenth Coast Guard District, consult previous Monthly editions dated for the first Tuesday of each month.

I SPECIAL NOTICES

The Dates of Latest Editions, Nautical Charts and Miscellaneous Maps, dated April 1, 2003, published by the National Ocean Service, is available for issue. It may be obtained free by mail from the National Aeronautical Charting Office, AVN-530, Federal Aviation Administration, 6303 Ivy Lane, Suite 400, Greenbelt MD, 20770-1479, by telephone at 1-800-638-8972 or from your local authorized nautical chart sales agent. This is a quarterly publication listing the most recent editions of nautical charts, miscellaneous maps and publications relating to navigation, weather, etc. with brief descriptions and up-to-date prices for most of the publications listed.

THE U.S. COAST GUARD NAVIGATION CENTER WEB SITE

The primary NAVCEN web site is down due to technical difficulties until further notice. We regret any inconvenience you may have experienced during our technical difficulties. We assure you every effort is being made to return the full array of services provided by the NAVCEN. In an effort to better assist you, the NAVCEN secondary web site can be found here: www.nis-mirror.com/default.html. We recommend you bookmark this location until further notice. The Navigation Information Service 24-hour help desk is available and you can contact them at (703) 313-5900 or E-mail: NISWS@navcen.uscg.gov.

AVAILABILITY OF A NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE CRITICAL CHART CORRECTIONS WEB SITE

The Office of Coast Survey, National Ocean Service (NOS), NOAA, announces a new Internet service to the marine public at the following web site: <http://chartmaker.ncd.noaa.gov> This service provides advance notification of critical chart corrections identified by NOS cartographers during nautical chart updating activities. Critical chart corrections are either recently identified hazards to navigation or are information regarded by NOS as essential for safe navigation, e.g. channel conditions, bridge and cable clearances, regulatory changes. Critical chart corrections posted on this web site are forwarded to the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA) for inclusion in their Local Notice To Mariners (LNM) and Notice To Mariners (NM) respectively. Additionally, updates to the United States Coast Pilot, Volumes 1-9, are posted on this web site. This web site must not be viewed as a substitute for either the USCG LNM or the NIMA NM. Aid to navigation changes and other important information published in USCG and NIMA notices are not available on this web site.

BRIDGE-TO-BRIDGE RADIOTELEPHONE LISTENING WATCH

VHF radio equipment used to meet the U.S. Bridge-to-Bridge Radiotelephone Act requirement for maintaining a listening watch on the vessel bridge-to-bridge navigation channel 13, must be capable of a continuous, uninterrupted watch. Any radio equipment capable of disrupting the channel 13 watch by a distress call on channel 16 or a distress call on the Global Maritime Distress & Safety System digital selective calling channel 70, should either not be used or have that disruption feature disabled.

REPORT DEFECTS IN AIDS TO NAVIGATION TO THE NEAREST COAST GUARD UNIT

I SPECIAL NOTICES (CONT.)

Department of Homeland Security – Reporting Suspicious Activity

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) encourages the maritime public to report information concerning suspicious activity to their local Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF) office, www.fbi.gov/contact/fo/fo.htm, the DHS Watch and Warning Unit at (202) 323-3205, toll free at 1-888-585-9078, or by E-mail to nipc.watch@fbi.gov, to any Coast Guard unit or other appropriate authorities. The Coast Guard reminds the maritime industry that they may also report suspicious activity to the National Response Center (NRC) at 1-800-424-8802.

AK-Security Zones Around State Ferries

Due to heightened security measures the Captain of the Port Southeast Alaska has established a 100 yard security zone around the following Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) Ferries: Matanuska, Kennicott, Malaspina and Columbia. As a result, no vessel may enter, operate or anchor within the security zone. The Captain of the Port Southeast Alaska hereby designates the following area a security zone: All waters of Southeast Alaska from Icy Bay, south to the Canadian Waters within a 100 yard radius of the designated ferries. This security zone will remain in effect until September 19th 2003 or when terminated by the Captain of the Port Southeast Alaska. Any concerned traffic can contact Coast Guard Marine Safety Office Juneau at (907) 463-2450 or the Master of the AMHS in question on VHF FM channel 16.

AK-Knik Arm-Security Zone Around the Port of Anchorage

The Coast Guard has established a temporary 1000 yard security zone off the Port of Anchorage in the navigable waters of Knik Arm. The zone includes the waters of Knik Arm that are within an area bounded by the following points: 61°15.14'N 149°52.78'W, 61°15.14'N 149°53.84'W, 61°14.17'N 149°54.43'W, 61°13.94'N 149°53.55'W. Entry into the security zone by vessels or persons is prohibited without permission from the Captain of the Port Southwest Alaska or his representative. Any vessel desiring to transit the safety zone must contact the Captain of the Port Southwest Alaska at (907) 271-6700 for permission and specific instruction.

2003 Light List

The 2003 U.S. Coast Guard Light List Volume VI (GPO Stock Number: 050-012-00437-4/ISBN: 0-16-067669-X) is now available on the USCG Navigation Center Internet site www.navcen.uscg.gov/pubs/LightLists/LightLists.htm. Hard copy edition will be available in April 2003 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. For pricing, ordering information, and availability, please contact the Superintendent of Documents by calling (202) 512-1800.

II DISCREPANCIES – DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED

WARNING: Mariners are cautioned that portions of destroyed structures may remain visible or may be submerged.

Abbreviations normally used in the Local Notice to Mariners are as follows:

LNM – Local Notice to Mariners

TLB – Temporary Lighted Buoy

TDBN – Temporary Daybeacon

BNM – Broadcast Notice to Mariners

TRLB – Temporarily Replaced by Lighted Buoy

TRUB – Temporarily Replaced by Unlighted Buoy

TUB – Temporary Unlighted Buoy

DISCREPANCIES

LLNR	NAME OF AID	STATUS	CHART	BNM	LNM
NONE					

DISCREPANCIES/PRIVATE AIDS

LLNR	NAME OF AID	STATUS	CHART	BNM	LNM
24754	East Edna Bay Log Breakwater Lights (3)	Missing		019-03	04/03
24752	Edna Bay Shoal Buoys (10)	Missing		020-03	04/03

DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED

LLNR	NAME OF AID	STATUS	CHART	BNM	LNM
NONE					

III TEMPORARY CHANGES – TEMPORARY CHANGES CORRECTED

TEMPORARY CHANGES

LLNR	NAME OF AID	STATUS	CHART	BNM	LNM
26090	Port Chatham Shoal Daybeacon "PC"	Daybeacon has been temporarily replaced with a Junction Buoy	16645	159-02	19/02
24107	Hawk Inlet Daybeacon 2	Daybeacon has been temporarily replaced by a red buoy	17312	325-02	39/02
25483	Point Bentinck Light	Decommissioned	16709	367-02	46/02
22102	Hub Rock Light	Light has been temporarily replaced by a red lighted buoy	17435	002-03	01/03

TEMPORARY CHANGES CORRECTED

LLNR	NAME OF AID	STATUS	CHART	BNM	LNM
NONE					

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IV CHART CORRECTIONS

NONE

V ADVANCE NOTICE OF CHANGES TO AIDS TO NAVIGATION

AK-Southeast-Gastineau Channel

Sheep Creek Salmon Pen Lights (Private Aid) will be discontinued on April 15th 2003.

VI PROPOSED CHANGES TO AIDS TO NAVIGATION

AK-Cook Inlet

The Coast Guard is considering changes to aids to navigation in southern Cook Inlet. These changes include the following:

- Disestablishment of Moose Point Buoy "MP" (LLNR 26370).
- Establishment of Moose Point Buoy 2 (LLNR 26370) at 60°59.9'N 150°54.6'W with a FI R 6s characteristic.
- Establishment of Beluga Shoal Lighted Buoy "3" (LLNR 26377) at 61-05.15'N, 150-40.0'W with a FI G 4s characteristic.

If you have any comments contact LTJG George Johnson at (907) 463-2265 or E-mail: gjohnson@cgalaska.uscg.mil.

VII GENERAL

NONE

VIII LIGHT LIST CORRECTIONS

NONE

IX ADDITIONAL ENCLOSURES

Enclosure #1	National Tidal Datum Update Planned for April 2003	
Enclosure #2	NOAA New Edition Charts, Availability, and Mariner Responsibility	

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